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the paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless if displays a valid QMB control number. Docket Number (Optional) RETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) **FY 2006** 915-004.008 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).) **Application Number** Filed 10/090.424 March l. 2002 SWITCHING METHOD AND NETWORK ELEMENT For Examiner Binh Quoc NGUYEN Art Unit 2616 This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): <u>Fee</u> Small Entity Fee One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$120 \$60 \$ 450.00 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$450 \$225 Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$510 \$1020 Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$1590 \$795 Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$2160 \$1080 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account Number** I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. I am the applicant/inventor. assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 31,391 attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 December 11, 2006 Date Sibnatu 203-261-1234 Francis J. Maguire Typed or printed name Telephone Number NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more that signature is required, see below.

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